



FY 2005 Annual Report

*"Lost time is never found again."*Benjamin Franklin



Time for Bryan

Dear Friends:

On June 28, 2005, the Bryan City Council and I dedicated a beautiful, new clock in the heart of our historic downtown. The clock, which appears on the cover of this *FY 2005 Annual Financial Report*, possesses classic lines reminiscent of days gone by. Yet it's a constant visual reminder that time forever links our city's great past with the dynamic growth and progress that is carrying us into the future.

For me, the clock also brings to mind the simple, yet profound, words of Benjamin Franklin: "Lost time is never found again."

This Bryan City Council has a relatively brief period of time to accomplish its goals, many of which will affect this city for generations. We cannot, must not, lose time when there is so much to do. That sense of urgency is at the heart of this council's and city staff's daily focus.



In fiscal year 2005, time was spent renovating historic buildings in downtown, while transforming that area into a high-tech environment. Time was found to assist and comfort our fellow Americans from hurricaneravaged areas; to facilitate creation of additional neighborhood associations to give our citizens a louder, collective voice; and to provide new recreational amenities for residents and visitors of all ages.

But we continually seek time to do more. And through prudent use of your tax dollars, this council and staff will find new and better ways to the provide *The Good Life, Texas Style*.

This is the time for Bryan.

Mayor Ernie Wentrcek

Time to Lead

The City of Bryan is committed to providing efficient municipal services to improve the quality of life and develop a community where all citizens are proud to live.



Single Member District l Councilman Joe Marín



Single Member District 2 Councilman Paul Madison



Single Member District 3 Councilman Jason Bienski



Single Member District 4 Councilman Mark Conlee



Single Member District 5 Councilman Ben Hardeman



At-Large Place 6 Councilman Russell Bradley



The City of Bryan staff strives daily to fulfill the idea that Ben Franklin so wonderfully articulated, as we truly believe that lost time is never found again. This FY05 Annual Financial Report is a snapshot of how we used our time to improve services, manage our resources responsibly, create better ways for our citizens to interact with their local government, and encourage businesses and neighborhoods to grow with us.

Mary Kaye Moore City Manager



Tons of silt removed from creeks and drainage tributaries by city crews

7

54

Planning for Downtown Phase II

On the heels of the successful overhaul of Main Street is the planning and design work for Downtown Phase II — an \$8 million overhaul of four blocks of Bryan Avenue.

The design work was about 90 percent complete by the end of FY05. Like Main Street renovations, Bryan Avenue will be reconstructed between 24th and 28th streets, including the cross-streets and alleys that run from Main to Parker.

Biggest challenge: Moving overhead utilities — telephone, cable, electrical and fiber optics — underground. The project should be completed two years after construction begins.

Austin's Colony Parkway traffic light

A signal light seems like such a minor thing. But not to residents of Austin's Colony who, for years, have struggled to get into, and out of, their subdivision during peak traffic hours.

But an agreement between the city and the Texas Department of Transportation brought sweet relief in FY05 in the form of a traffic light, designated left-turn lanes and landscaping. Good thing, since the area is among the fastest-growing in Bryan.

residential lots closed during FY05 at Traditions

4,600

Linear feet of new water line installed with valves and hydrants and to improve fire flows and pressure

Time to Preserve and Redevelop



Howell, Astin buildings

It looks remarkably good for being 105 years old. FY05 featured developers breathing new life into the 15,000-square-foot Howell Building located in Historic Downtown. It's brought an entirely new audience to downtown for dining, business and events.

Meanwhile, just north on Main Street is the ongoing renovation of the Astin Building. Built in 1915, the Astin is being transformed into high-tech office space designed to capitalize on what developers are calling a burgeoning "Fibertown" environment in Bryan's oldest business district.

Retail explosion at Rudder/ Boonville Road

A new hub of retail activity is well under construction near the intersection of Earl Rudder Freeway and Boonville Road. Premiere Cinema's 16-screen theater complex and a Kroger Signature Store will anchor the area's development that is to also include retail, entertainment venues and restaurants.

Villa Maria Road Underpass

The crater gets bigger, and so does the mess. But each day the Texas Department of Transportation works on the Villa Maria Road Underpass, the city gets closer to a major traffic interchange that will allow east-west traffic to flow without interruption by the Union Pacific Railroad. TxDOT predicts project completion by early 2008.

Number of awards
earned in FY05 by Fiscal Services
for excellence in reporting, in
the city's budget, and in use of
performance measurement

Blocks of Main
Street completely
reconstructed as
part of Downtown
Phase I to make
downtown more
attractive and
pedestrian-friendly

45:

Value, in millions of dollars, of new infrastructure designed and constructed to repair, replace and extend existing water, sanitary sewer, street and drainage systems

3,807: N

Number of wastewater work orders completed

Time for Technology





Public service agencies provided with funding and technical assistance to increase citizen access to services

and

Business owners provided with technical assistance to increase economic development

fifteen

Housing units that received technical assistance through code enforcement to clean-up or eliminate spot slum/blight

Registered Sexual Offenders database

Before Oprah Winfrey brought widespread attention to the issue of sex offenders in neighborhoods, Bryan's Geographic Information Services office created America's most up-to-date map layer that focused on registered sex offenders. With the cooperation of the Brazos County Sheriff's Office, the residence of every registered sex offender, or RSO, in Bryan, College Station and Brazos County is marked on a map. It was the frequency of updates that was both novel and unusual for a city. The technology and commitment earned Bryan nationwide attention by the CBS Evening News segment Eye on America.

Can you hear me now?

In FY05, the City of Bryan invested more than \$3 million in a new radio system that allows its police and firefighters to reliably communicate with their counterparts in College Station and Brazos County. That means emergencies requiring response from multiple jurisdictions are safer and better coordinated.

The new radio system isn't the only new technology inside Bryan patrol vehicles. Recent installation of global positioning devices means police dispatchers can easily track the movements of patrol vehicles, especially when unexpected movement signals an officer in trouble.

Pothole reporting via Web

Thisis a great case of "be-careful-of-what-you-ask-for." Transportation Services created an online form for residents to use to report potholes, drainage issues or cases of missing/damaged signs. Not only did the new online option prove popular, but residents chose to use it as a means to send quite detailed messages about their streets, traffic lights and such. That level of feedback wasn't anticipated, but has given Transportation employees a better idea of what Bryanites are experiencing and expecting.

Number of new zoning districts created – three for Downtown Bryan and two for South College Avenue



WiFi downtown, Fibertown emerges

Much of the recent development in Downtown Bryan has coupled fiber-optic technology with historic buildings, resulting in rather unique, high-performance real estate.

While those familiar with downtown are accustomed to finding trendy restaurants, eclectic art shops, upper-loft living and antique stores, they may not be aware of a private initiative, known as Fibertown, that offers tenants a bundled package of renovated office space, ample bandwidth and lightning-fast Internet speed as part of their monthly lease.

Combine this with free WiFi along Main Street and Bryan Avenue and it's no wonder people are feeling a new *connection* to their old downtown.

Inspector gadget

"They're too helpful — my inspectors don't even have office space any more."

High praise, sort of, from Building Services Manager Danny Sikorski, whose inspectors are now equipped with tablet PCs and printers in the field. The result is a quicker turnaround for inspections, direct communication with contractors at the worksite, and elimination of needless cross-town trips.

20%

of inflow and infiltration reduction experienced in the Turkey Creek Basin due to the city's I&I Reduction, Rehabilitation and Replacement program

Average number of external hits per day to the Geographic Information System portion of the city's Web site



Holes at the Bryan Golf Course under new management of Golf Solutions-Bryan, Inc.

Williamson Skate Park expansion

The first free skate park in the Brazos Valley acquired a new feature in Fiscal Year 2005: a five-foot-tall, half-pipe that helps daredevils soar while the faint-of-heart can only shake their heads with wonder.

Henderson Harbor

It's the crown-jewel of the newly expanded Henderson Park. Never mind the additional ball parks, soccer fields, covered pavilion and skate park that came with the park's renovation. Henderson Harbor is an eye-catching, state-of-the-art swim facility with a lightning-fast water slide and colorful canopies to shade poolside picnic areas.

And because Henderson Harbor is located just across from

Milam Elementary School, guess who enjoys free swim lessons?



5,000

Estimated number of people who attended the annual Holiday Magic event at Sue Haswell Memorial Park

Time for Fun

Number of new pocket parks developed and created (Shirewood and Redbud)

Tiffany Park splash pad

The community's first splash pad debuted with...well, a splash. Cheaper than a pool to construct and maintain, and irresistible to kids – even adults and pets! – on a hot, summer day, the Tiffany Park splash pad has been a popular addition to the Bryan Parks & Recreation system. Look for an even bigger splash pad to be built in Bryan during the coming months.



What could be better than the world's most-famous golfer playing a new course he helped design? Absolutely nothing, if you ask fans of the ancient game or of Jack Nicklaus himself. Nicklaus and son Jackie not only played an October round at Traditions, but put on a clinic in front of hundreds of grateful spectators. Meanwhile, 145 residential lots at Traditions were closed on in FY05, indicating a brisk housing market in this upscale development.

Holiday Magic

Bryan's annual Holiday Magic event is the community's official kick-off event of the Christmas season. The one-evening combination of music, games, lights, giveaways and, of course, Santa Claus, now draws more than 5,000 people to Sue Haswell Memorial Park.

1/4 and 1/2

" length, in miles, of new trails at Crescent Park and Scurry Park, respectively

Time to Work Together



Number of people

who visited the

Library in FY05

Bryan Public

millions of dollars, the collective amount saved by

Bryan, College Station and

Brazos County during the

initial year of joint health

insurance

\$67,000

the amount of Homeland Security grant money give to Bryan Fire Department for a new special-operations vehicle for hazardous materials and homeland security incidents

Hurricane response

While Bryan-College Station was spared the most damaging existed in the cities they fled.

One national study found two-thirds of Americans believing it's becoming harder to achieve "the American dream."

series of town hall meetings during October and November that focused on education, economic development, health, immigrant issues and other topics of importance. The meetings proved insightful for those in attendance and inspirational for all involved.

Number of awards given to the City of Bryan by the Texas Safety Association



effects from hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the community was tested in August and September like never before. Thousands of coastal evacuees were offered shelter and medical care. Many still call Bryan-College Station home because they received assistance in finding homes, schools, jobs and other resources that no longer

City of Bryan employees worked around the clock to both ensure that our infrastructure was sound, while evacuees were warmly received.

Achieving the American Dream

In an effort to discover what "the American dream" means to Bryan citizens, and how economic, social and cultural disparities might impact their ability to achieve it, the City of Bryan spearheaded a



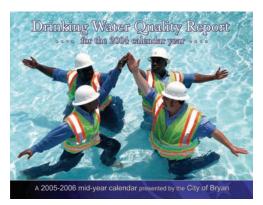
The city's Neighborhood Association Partnership Program, or NAPP, officially hit the big 3-0 in FY05. And by logging 30 registered neighborhood associations in only two-andhalf-years, it sent a clear message that Bryan residents want to live the good life and are

These same associations received more than \$24,000 in matching grants that helped with landscaping and other beautification projects, the creation of pocket parks and installation of entrance signage.

Different strokes

The city and school district have a long history of working together, but a different kind of partnership emerged in FY05.

Bryan Aquatics staff is working to ensure that second-graders at Milam Elementary School learn to swim. Last year, 120 students were taught basic swimming skills at the new Henderson Harbor, and the effort will be repeated again in FY06. Did it work? Instructors say most kids advanced from a dog paddle to solid swim strokes. Look for the partnership to be explored in additional Bryan campuses, as well.



Fun with drinking water?

Drinking Water Quality Reports don't usually make you smile. But our 2004 report even made people laugh out loud, according to the dozens upon dozens of positive e-mails and phone calls pouring in from residents of Bryan

The formula was remarkably simply: Water Services and the Public Information Office took typically boring information — required by law to be sent to all Bryan residents — and packaged it in a fun and slightly irreverent calendar that no other municipal government has ever dared to do. Maybe they will now.

Citizens who participated in the Bryan Leadership Academy

Time Flies

October 2004



- Fiscal Services awarded for outstanding use of performance management
- Coulter Airfield hosts a unique fly-in blood drive
- The city launches its new brand: *The Good Life, Texas Style*
- Traditions Golf Club grand opening features Jack Nicklaus and Jack Nicklaus II
- Bryan hosts The American Dream campaign, focusing on vital issues facing the city
- City Councilman
 Mark Conlee hosts a
 community meeting in Single Member
 District-4
- Hundreds participate in annual Fall Recycling Days at Drive-In Recycling Center



November 2004

- Vital Statistics wins the prestigious Five-Star Award for excellence in reporting
- City survey shows 9 out of 10 residents like living in Bryan
- Kevin Russell named Bryan's new director of Planning & Development Services

December 2004

- Zane Anderson and Michael Schaefer win Mayor's Downtown Impact Award
- Bryan-based 420th Engineer Brigade welcomed home from Iraq
- Annual Holiday Magic event draws estimated 5,000 to Haswell Park
- Bryan invited to share best practices at International City/County Management Association annual conference



January 2005

 Annual Christmas tree recycling event redirects trees from landfill to the city's compost facility



February 2005

- Channel 16's Bryan: An Inside Look now videotaped in a reality show format
- Planning & Zoning Commission meetings now broadcast on Channel 16
- Grand re-opening of expanded and renovated Henderson Park

March 2005

Youth Services Manager Ronnie
 Jackson is among national leaders
 selected to attend Cities Supporting
 Parents of Young Children Leadership
 Academy



April 2005

- The community's Planet Earth Celebration held in Bryan for the first time
- Bryan Municipal Court clears warrants through amnesty and roundup events
- Purchasing Services transitions to online auction of surplus and seized property
- Bryan named Tree City USA for 18th year
- Youth Services hosts Week of the Young Child event at Haswell Park



May 2005

• Inc Magazine rankings name Bryan a top U.S. small city in which to do business, while also recognizing its fast and sustained growth





- PHI Air Medical Group begins operating out of Coulter Airfield
- Bryan launches Registered Sexual Offender layer on its Geographic Information System. Receives nationwide coverage by CBS Evening News



- Annual Cemetery Workday spruces up Bryan's oldest cemetery
- Bryan Leadership Academy graduates its latest class
- Bryan Aquatics teaches water safety classes to Bryan secondgraders

June 2005

- Bryan City Council dedicates new downtown clock
- Channel 16 wins top state award for innovative programming
- Police Department and Information Technology teach Web safety class

July 2005

- Residents asked to voluntarily reduce water consumption
- Parks & Recreation opens area's first splash pad at Tiffany Park
- Phase II West Transmission Main Construction Project begins



 Water Services releases drinking water quality report calendar to wide acclaim



- Gus Roman named director of Information Technology Services
- Bryan Business Council
 announces future Boonville Station
 entertainment complex
- New traffic signal installed at Austin's Colony Parkway and Boonville Road



August 2005

 Bryan neighborhoods and police team up for annual National Night Out event



- City receives national awards for annual report, new brand and Channel 16 programming
- Forbes ranks Bryan-College
 Station the 19th best place for businesses; 1st in advanced degrees; 13th in educational attainment and 20th in job growth
- Hurricane Katrina forces thousands of evacuees to Bryan-College Station. Many still call the cities home

September 2005

• Hurricane Rita brings a new wave of evacuees to the community

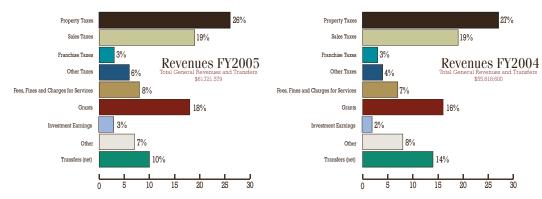


- Bryan Public Library receives new heating and air-conditioning system
- Online reporting debuts for complaints of potholes, signal lights and drainage

Time is Money

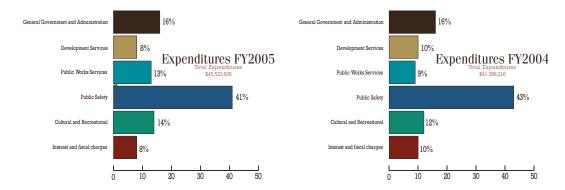
The financial information is presented as a means of increasing public confidence in the governing body of the city and its elected and appointed officials. Citizens deserve accountability for the use of their tax dollars, and this information is provided to promote a

better understanding of Bryan's finances. This report presents a condensed overview of the city's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005. As a condensed report, the presentation is a simplified version of the financial data.



Revenues*

Major sources of revenue include property taxes and sales taxes. Total revenues for fiscal year 2005 were \$61,721,579. This is an 11% increase over the previous fiscal year. With the exceptions of franchise taxes and transfers, all other revenue sources experienced increases in fiscal year 2005.



Expenditures

Total expenditures of \$45,523,606 represent an increase of 10% over fiscal year 2004. Increased spending is attributed to improvements to streets and drainage structures, public safety costs and golf course expenditures.

Statement of Net Assets

The Statement of Net Assets looks at the city as a whole and is a useful indicator of the city's financial position. The table below provides a summary of the city's net assets for 2005 and 2004.

- The decrease in current assets and the increase in capital assets can be attributed to the use of debt proceeds to construct capital assets. In addition, developer contributions increased the value of capital assets.
- Long-term liabilities decreased as old debt was retired, and no new debt was issued in fiscal year 2005.
- Unrestricted net assets are the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without legal constraints established by legislation or other requirements. In 2005, unrestricted net assets increased by \$14,567,552. Lot sale revenue at the Traditions residential development, increased general fund revenues and increased street and drainage fees contributed to the increase in unrestricted net assets.
- The city's financial position improved from 2004 to 2005 as indicated by the \$16,288,973 increase in total net assets for governmental activities.

^{*}Governmental activities only, unaudited figures.

Assets	2005	2004
Current and Other Assets	\$ 66,360,303	\$ 72,610,589
Capital Assets	88,999,288	72,923,637
Total Assets	\$ 155,359,591	\$ 145,534,226
Liabilities		
Current and Other Liabilities	\$ 7,855,724	\$ 10,705,393
Long-term Liabilities	68,611,928	72,225,867
Total Liabilities	\$ 76,467,652	\$ 82,931,260
Net Assets		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	\$ 42,343,802	\$ 37,344,694
Restricted:	9,134,294	12,411,981
Unrestricted	27,413,843	12,846,291
Total Net Assets	\$ 78,891,939	\$ 62,602,966

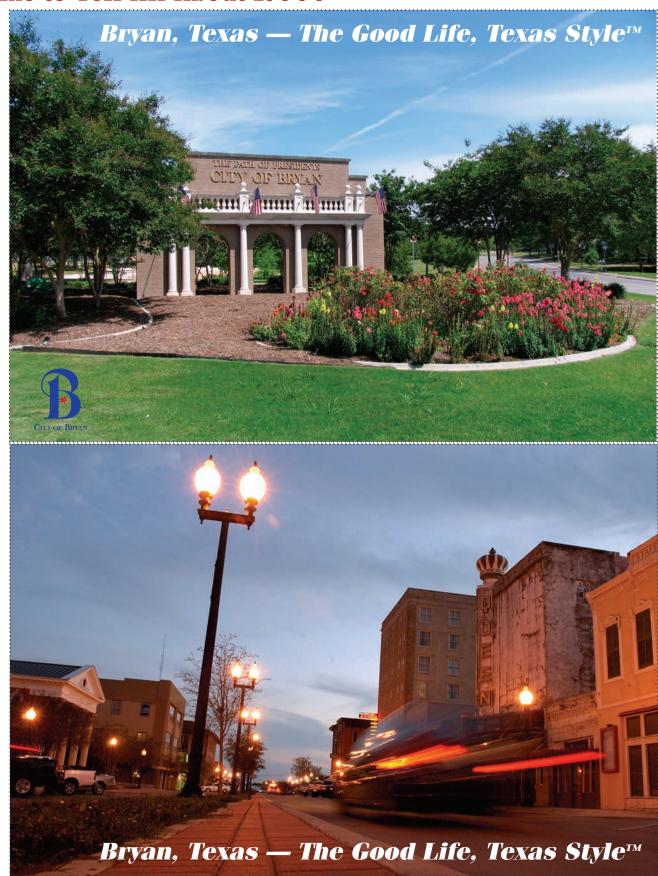


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Time to Tell All About It . . .



Sue Haswell Memorial Park is the most-recognizable and, perhaps, busiest park in the City of Bryan. Land for the park was donated in 1925 by then-Mayor Tyler Haswell with the stipulation that it be named after his deceased mother. Haswell Park now spans 19 acres and features a swimming pool, 24-court horseshoe complex, picnic pavilions, baseball fields, basketball courts, playground equipment, a gazebo and the Path of Presidents educational walkway.

Place Postage Here

To:



Photo by Jay Socol, City of Bryan

Downtown has served as Bryan's heart and soul since the mid-1800s. Today's downtown features restaurants, shops, loft apartments and high-tech businesses utilizing century-old buildings. Downtown Bryan still serves as the hub of government in Brazos County.

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